

## SCHEMES OF THIEVES

## TRICKS OF THOSE WHO OPERATE IN JEWELRY STORES.

The Way One Place Was Completely Cleaned Out—How Show Windows Are Broken—Getting a Safe That Was Bolted to the Flooring.

A number of jewelers were dining together and with the cigars in the talk turned on jewelry thieves and their methods.

The first story was told of an individual who was seen lounging about the plate front window of a jewelry store. No particular attention was paid to the man at the time, but the clerks recalled the incident after the robbery. In this instance the man appeared a number of times in front of the store. One evening soon after dark there was a sudden crash, and a robber was actively engaged in scooping in jewels with a hooked stick. In thirty seconds he was done and away. Bystanders stood as if petrified until the man struck out at a run. Then the store people and the bystanders realized what had occurred and shouting "Thief!" started after the man.

The man dropped his bag. The pursuers stopped and seized the bag. They returned to the store with the bag in high glee, remarking incidentally that there was no need in chasing the thief because here were the goods. The proprietor of the store and all the clerks had followed, but, having farther to go than the crowd, were behind and were met by the people with the bag. Proudly the bag was opened. It contained a bribe. The thief had dropped it to check the pursuit. Realizing the trick had succeeded, the crowd, headed by the salesmen and proprietor, went back to the store, only to discover that the window had been cleaned of stock and the counters were bare of a number of costly articles.

A policeman on duty said that after the proprietor and clerks of the store ran for the departing thief a neatly dressed gentleman, with all the airs of a member of the firm, gave directions to two other men to get the stuff out of the windows and told him (the officer) that this was being done as a precaution against theft while the window was broken. In some first class stores there is a regular danger signal arranged, and the men are drilled each week. When the danger gong sounds one man takes his place at the door, another at the telephone to send word to the police, another with running qualities makes for the door in readiness to pursue, and so on.

Among other stories told were some relating to the tricks and devices of the jewelry thieves. The robber often works at night or sometimes during a crowd by cutting out a disk of glass near where some costly goods are shown. He may reach in and secure something and be off before detected if he is quick. Sometimes he has a long instrument hidden under his coat, so that he can reach in and pick up a watch. Often again he uses a simple stick with a slightly turned end, hooking into a ring.

The process of crushing in a plate front during the intervals of the patrol of the police, at the same time making no noise, is done by pasting cloth or heavy paper on the glass. A wood mallet is used, the hammer ends being securely bound up in a heavy woolen fabric stuffed with excelsior or kindred material. With this soft headed mallet it is possible to bang away noiselessly at the glass until the pane begins to crumble. Unless the plate is unusually thick an opening can be made without much trouble.

In recent years jewelry thieves, like bank robbers, have rented quarters near the place they intended to rob and lived there long enough to study the situation. In one case a room was hired over a jewelry store and entrance effected to the store by means of a rope ladder dropped from the window of the room to a window leading to a hall in the store portion. In another case the bar spreader was used to open the bars of a window. This device consists of a spirally threaded shaft fitted into two blocks, with a central piece with a bar for turning. The blocks are adjusted between two bars, the central piece turned, whereupon the spiral shaft causes the blocks to expand sideways, forcing the bars open. Then the intruder can pass in.

A story was told of the removal of a safe in which the proprietor of a jewelry store was accustomed to put his safe stock each night. It was not a large safe, but exceedingly strong, and because of its light weight a number of bolts were put through the floor and connected with the safe bottom. The proprietor often said that thieves could not take the safe unless they took floor and all. Not long after the store was entered, and, behold, the thieves had sawed out the section of the floor to which the safe was fixed. The safe was bound up with rope, the latter passed under the separated section of flooring, and, when the boards were sawed through, safe, floor and all were lowered into the basement and readily moved out through the basement door, put into an express wagon and carted off.—Jeweler's Circular-Weekly.

## Barbar Measures.

"Don't you occasionally have company at the house that bores you?"

"Often, but we have a remedy. We always let our little Johnnie recite.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

## Defined.

Teacher—Who knows what triplets are? Teacher's Pet—I know. Two twins and one left over.—Woman's Home Companion.

Idleness walks so slowly that poverty has no trouble in catching up with it.

## Games of Bloomfield A. O. H.

The winners at the games held recently under the auspices of Division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, at Glenwood Park, were as follows: Seventy-five yard dash, handcap, T. L. O'Brien, second; J. A. Cavanaugh, 4 yards, third. Two hundred and twenty yard dash, E. P. Maxfield, 18 yards, first; J. A. Cavanaugh, 20 yards, third. Running high jump, won by E. S. Lyons, 5 feet 11 inches; J. L. O'Brien, second. Broad jump, won by E. S. Lyons, 17 feet 3 inches; Joseph Murphy, second. Hop, step and jump, won by J. McVille, Newark, 36 feet 7 inches; J. L. O'Brien, second, 36 feet 1 inch; Joseph Glennon, third, 34 feet 5 inches. Shot-put, won by Jack Maxfield, distance 35 feet 10 inches; Tom Maxfield, second, 34 feet 7 inches; Jas. P. Mylod, third, 32 feet. The tug-of-war was won by a team of Montclair and Bloomfield men.

A large crowd witnessed the games. Dancing followed.

The committee in charge of the affair was composed of James P. Mylod, Jas. H. Myers, John Coleman, Joseph A. Glennon, John Mylod, Michael Webb and George Concannon.

## Good Samaritan Home.

The Volunteers of America have just established the Good Samaritan Home at 910 North Broad street, this town, and have leased a building for one year. The work was begun seven years ago at 64 Howard street, Newark, and later it was removed to Montclair. The home was for its object the assistance of wayward women and girls in efforts to lead better lives, and the taking care of those who are ill or have no home. The building here is located about half a mile north of the terminus of the Croton trolley line and contains six rooms. There are attached to it fifteen acres of land. Sixteen persons can be accommodated at one time. The superintendent is Miss Charlotte McKinnan, and she is assisted by Captain Mary Otis.

## Dreamland.

The season at Dreamland, Coney Island, will have a surplus of Indian summer fete, the first of which will be held on September 5, when Lodge No. 22, Order of Elks, will entertain lodges throughout New York, Connecticut and New Jersey. Other carnivals will intervene until the Mardi Gras festival, which will run until the first of October.

## Eric Railroad Excursion.

There will be a company's excursion to Niagara Falls and Toronto September 1 and 2, return limit of which will be on or before September 4, A. M. The rates will be as follows:

To Niagara Falls \$9.00 for the round trip.

To Toronto, \$10.50 via Niagara Gorge route and boat from Lewiston.

To Toronto, \$11.50 via Grand Trunk Railroad or Canadian Pacific Railroad.

## Proctor's Newark Theatre.

With the waning summer the bills at Proctor's are gradually improving. If there can be any improvement in the wonderful programmes that have been in order at this palace of amusement, Europe vies with America in giving its best to make up a stellar bill for the week of August 27. Headed by no less a personage than Miss Eulie Bing, sister of the world-famous Blanche Ring, and Roland Sargent, producing a one-act comedy sketch entitled "A Quiet Life," dealing with the troubles of a young married couple, in which, after the honeymoon is over, hubby's amorousness is considerably cooled down. The playlet deals with the little ruses resorted to in order to awaken hubby's dormant love. Miss Bing and Mr. Sargent are both clever actors, and the most out of the many amusing situations that arise.

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## Carpet Cleaning.

Now is the time to clean carpets. If you want your carpets taken up, cleaned and relaid, send word to D. Douglass, No. 9 Park street, Montclair. Mr. Douglass has 20 years of experience in carpet cleaning, and has a large patronage in this town, Glen Ridge and Montclair. Those intending to move can have their carpets taken up, cleaned and relaid on short notice. The work will be well and promptly done.—Adet.

## ESTATE OF AUGUSTA M. WOOD.

Surrogate to the order of GEORGE E. RUSSELL.

Surrogate to the order of the County of Essex, this day made, on the application of the undersigned administrator of said deceased's estate, is hereby given to the subscribers to appear before the subscriber under oath or affirmation their claims and demands against the estate of Augusta M. Wood, deceased, from this date, or they will be forever barred from prosecuting or recovering the same against the subscriber. THOMAS F. OGAN.

SAMUEL W. BOARDMAN, JR., Proctor.

ESSEX COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT—No. 1.

Surrogate to the order of GEORGE E. RUSSELL.

Surrogate to the order of the County of Essex, this day made, on the application of the undersigned administrator of the estate of Augusta M. Wood, deceased, having exhibited under oath a true account of the personal estate and debts of said intestate whereby it appears that the estate of Augusta M. Wood, deceased, is insufficient to pay her debts and requesting the aid of the Court in the premises.

It is therefore this 21st day of July, 1906, ordered, that the personal estate and real lands, tenements, hereditaments and real property of the said Augusta M. Wood, deceased, before this date, or at the time of her death in the City of Newark, on the 21st day of October, 1904, at 10 A. M., to show cause why so much of the said lands, tenements, hereditaments and real property of the said Augusta M. Wood, deceased, should not be sold as will be sufficient to pay her debts.

Witness, JAY TEN EYCK, Esquire Judge of said Court, this 21st day of July, 1906.

JAY TEN EYCK.

G. E. RUSSELL, Surrogate.

SAMUEL W. BOARDMAN, JR., Proctor.

Union Building, Newark, N. J.

## ALPINE AVALANCHES.

These Deadly Snowdrifts Are Often Started by a Sound.

There are many kinds of avalanches. There are the powdery avalanche, the creeping variety, the glacier avalanche and others. When the sun strikes upon the infallible snow fields and the snow begins to move the mass in its descent gathers weight and force, tearing away enormous rock masses and millions of tons of soil, until at length, with a noise like thunder, it expands its fury on the level floor of a valley where defenseless villages may be.

A great avalanche of this kind has an invisible forerunner almost as destructive as itself. This is the terrific hurricane caused by the air it displaces. It is no common sight to see giant trees uprooted, broken and twisted, the boughs wrenched from the trunk, leaves and needles clean stripped from the twigs and the very tops wrenched from a large forest before ever the avalanche itself has struck the wood.

It is still days when a lighted candle will hardly flicker in the icy air that the danger is greatest. The snow has been falling quietly yet heavily for several days and has settled on precipitous slopes above the village to an immense depth. It needs but the slightest and almost imperceptible cause to set it in motion. Had the wind been blowing it would never have amassed to such depths, but would have slipped down in lesser quantities. On such days the postilion muffles the bells of his team; the father will chide his child for slamming the door. Three enormous avalanches were once started in Switzerland merely by the sounding of the "Vish" or the first bell for church service. A bird alighting, an icicle beginning his downward rush. Villagers sometimes try to bring down avalanches at an advantageous time by firing off guns or even by shouting.—Woman's Home Companion.

## LOOSE TEETH.

## Sometimes They Are the Result of Nervous Troubles.

He was an honest dentist, and no one could have accused him of tinkering with a sound molar unless it actually needed attention. When the handsomely gowned woman patient came to him and complained that her teeth were getting loose and she was afraid she would lose them he gave her some good advice and charged her nothing, although it was worth a good stiff fee.

"There is nothing in the world the matter with your teeth," he said. "Each one is as sound as a new dollar. But you should consult a nerve specialist. Evidently you have been worrying a great deal lately."

The woman confessed that she had. Her sister had been very ill, and she had been compelled to help nurse her.

"Quit it unless you wish to lose your teeth," commanded the dentist. "Also you should put yourself under the care of a physician. In some nervous diseases the outward symptom is a shrinking of the gums. This is not an un-failing sign, however. Some persons lose their teeth through a shriveling of the gums on account of an excess of uric acid in the system. If they drank plenty of water the trouble would disappear. I have had several patients whom I have cured simply by getting them to drink plenty of water.

"The gums are pretty good indicators of the general health. Persons whose gums bleed frequently think there is something the matter with their teeth. The trouble is constitutional instead of local. A good tonic would put them on their feet, and this, accompanied by plenty of exercise in the open air, would stop the bleeding of the gums."—New York Press.

## An Egyptian Delicacy.

Every country has its own little delicacies, and Egypt is famous for its kabobs. The kabob is broiled meat, but is broiled in so ridiculous a fashion as to be really funny. The peddler uses a little charcoal furnace, something like that in use by our plumbers. In it keep up a small but hot fire. Attached to the side of the furnace are a lot of iron skewers. When a customer approaches, the hawker takes a small piece of meat, mutton or goat, the latter being the most popular, cuts it with a sharp knife into a long ribbon, winds it around the skewer and places it upon the charcoal fire. Some of the drippings are collected and, with a little salt and spice, make a pleasant sauce for the kabob when it is done.

## A Ghost Story.

A London daily tells a short modern ghost story. A man was traveling on a northbound train out of London. Opposite him was a silent stranger, his only companion. Between London and Derby no word passed. Then, as the train drew out of Derby, he said pleasantly, "Good line, this, sir, eh?" The stranger replied, "I think it's a beastly bad line. I was killed on it two years ago."

## Business Methods.

"May I ask if I am in the market for a bid for your affections?" asked the youth who did everything in a businesslike way.

"You must go to par before I can take any stock in your offer," answered the dutiful broker's daughter.

## An Exciting Moment.

"Above all," said the throat specialist, "the lady must talk as little as possible."

"Doctor," eagerly asked Mrs. Grey-mair's husband, "is there any hope of it becoming chronic?"—London Times.

## If we hope for what we are not likely to possess, we act and think in vain and make life a greater dream and shadow than it really is.—Addison.

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